

**PATENT APPLICATION
Q65001**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Kenichi OHURA

Appln. No.: (TBA)

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Examiner: (TBA)

For: PNEUMATIC RADIAL TIRES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claim:

9. (*Amended*) A pneumatic radial tire according to claim 1, wherein a circumferential insert of organic fiber cords extending in the circumferential direction of the tire is arranged in at least a part of a region between the vicinity of a bead core in the bead portion and the vicinity of a side edge of the belt.

Please add the following new claims:

--11. (New) A pneumatic radial tire according to claim 8, wherein a circumferential insert of organic fiber cords extending in the circumferential direction of the tire is arranged in at least a part of a region between the vicinity of a bead core in the bead portion and the vicinity of a side edge of the belt.

12. (New) A pneumatic radial tire according to claim 11, wherein the circumferential insert is arranged between the vicinity of the bead core and the vicinity of a position of a tire maximum width at a width of no less than 10 mm in the radial direction.--

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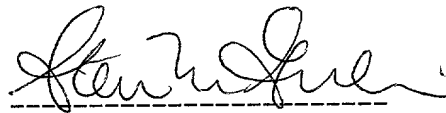
REMARKS

Claims 1-12 are presented for examination. New claim 11 corresponds to original claim 9, but is dependent upon claim 8. New claim 12 corresponds to original claim 10, but is dependent upon claim 11.

Entry and consideration of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested, and favorable examination on the merits in due course is earnestly solicited.

Any additional fees due to maintain the pendency of this application (except the Issue Fee) may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims are amended as follows:

9. (*Amended*) A pneumatic radial tire according to claim 1 [or 8], wherein a circumferential insert of organic fiber cords extending in the circumferential direction of the tire is arranged in at least a part of a region between the vicinity of a bead core in the bead portion and the vicinity of a side edge of the belt.

New Claims 11 and 12 are added.